

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 Expedited Procedure**

**In re application of:** Trinkle *et al.*

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

This amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and responds to Final Office action dated October 1, 2007, for which a three month period for reply was set. Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time, and submit the required fee herewith, making this Request and this amendment due on or before February 1, 2008. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the one-month extension fee and any additional fees that may be required in connection with this filing to the deposit account referenced on the accompanying transmittal letter. Please amend the referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 4.